

Congress passed the Medicare Preservation Act last year, and the Medicare Preservation Act had a tough waste, fraud and abuse program. It had stiff penalties for anybody that participated in fraud in the program. And it provided rewards for those that discovered fraud in the program.

I remember at one of my town meetings a mobile home park in Palmetto, FL, a lady standing up, saying about the illustration of fraud. She was admitted to the hospital and got a bill later for her own autopsy. That is the crazy things that were happening.

What we are offering were incentives. She could report this, and she would have a reward for finding out that problem and reporting it and getting a reward from the Medicare program.

So we focused on a waste, fraud and abuse program within the Medicare program. Our program saved Medicare from going bankrupt. But it continued to spend more money every year. In fact, right now the Medicare program spends \$4,800 for every man and woman in the Medicare program. Over 7 years we were going to increase that to \$7,100 per person in Medicare. That is a \$2,300 increase over 7 years, more money every year. There are no cuts being proposed in Medicare. And it was a good program, giving seniors more choices.

So we did not just talk about Medicare. We acted.

The House passed a bill. The Senate passed a bill, and we jointly sent a plan to save the Medicare program to the President.

What happened? Well, sadly the President decided to play politics with it. He played politics by vetoing the Medicare plan that we proposed. He did not come up with any solutions or ideas. All he did was take political advantage saying, let us scare those seniors and scare them of Republicans. And that is too bad, because Medicare is too important to scare seniors over. It is too important to play politics with it.

Bill Clinton vetoed that plan. When he vetoed it, he knew secret information at that time that Medicare was in worse shape than the trustees reported last April. Because on February 5 of this year, in a New York Times article, we find out that Medicare is going bankrupt much faster than 7 years. It is in worse financial shape than we were told by the trustees in April of 1995. And when Bill Clinton vetoed that bill in December, he vetoed a plan that was in serious financial trouble. And yet he still has not offered any solution.

We need to face the Medicare problem. We have a good plan, and Bill Clinton needs to stop playing politics and give use the solution to Medicare, too.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Utah [Mr. ORTON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. ORTON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. HOEKSTRA] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. HOEKSTRA addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio [Ms. KAPTUR] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Ms. KAPTUR addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. SAWYER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. SAWYER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Kentucky [Mr. WARD] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. WARD addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

DR. WENDE LOGAN-YOUNG,
WOMAN OF THE YEAR FROM THE
28TH DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New York [Ms. SLAUGHTER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Madam Speaker, I rise tonight to pay tribute to Wendie Logan-Young, The Woman of the Year from the 28th District of New York is a friend, a daughter, a sister, a mother, and a grandmother in addition to being a doctor, a radiologist, and a pioneer in mammography and breast care. She has received awards too numerous to detail here but the list dates back to 1966 when she was honored as Outstanding Young Woman of the Year.

In the years since, Dr. Wendie Logan-Young has become renowned for her untiring dedication to improving women's health. In 1976, Dr. Logan-Young established this Nation's first free-standing mammography center devoted exclusively to breast cancer detection. The Elizabeth Wendie Breast Cancer Clinic, named in honor of her mother, has the unique goal of providing quality mammography and breast care to women in a comfortable and timely manner. Caring for 1,000 patients a week, the clinic has served the needs of hundreds of thousands of women since its inception. Unlike the typical physician's office, the clinic has the familiar feel of home. In one visit, every patient has her mammogram, has it interpreted fully and has all needed additional testing. Knowing how traumatic and anxiety producing the experience of breast cancer screening can be, Dr. Wendie Logan-Young

has created a healing, comforting environment. This year, the clinic celebrated its 20th anniversary.

In addition to caring for her patients, Dr. Logan-Young has served on numerous academic and professional organizations, including the American Cancer Society, American College of Radiology, and the National Cancer Institute of Canada. The author of many medical journal articles, the doctor has just completed the first volume of a three volume set of textbooks for radiologists providing a practical guide to breast cancer diagnosis.

As chair of the women's health task force and a long-time advocate of increased funding for breast cancer research, I take great personal satisfaction in honoring a pioneer in the field of breast cancer research and service. Please join me in giving recognition to this outstanding Woman of the Year from the 28th District of New York, Dr. Wendie Logan-Young.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Guam [Mr. UNDERWOOD] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. UNDERWOOD addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

WOMEN IN PUBLIC SERVICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON, is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, in the United States the history of women in public service is both significant and meaningful. Unfortunately, our history does not always adequately recognize these women's contributions.

Historically, women have received limited space in the history books, and few have questioned their absence. However, today we are all faced with the challenge to eliminate the negative stereotypes, myths, lies, and distortions about women's role in the progress of time.

In celebration of Women's History Month, I would like to recognize DeMetris Sampson as the Woman of the Year from the 30th Congressional District of Texas.

Ms. Sampson's activities are multifaceted. For the past 1½ years, she has chaired the task force on liquor related businesses near schools. As chairwoman, she has successfully formulated and lobbied for State law changes as well as local ordinance and administrative changes to address the proliferation of alcohol establishments located near Dallas schools.

In addition, Ms. Sampson has served for the past 9 years on the domestic violence task force for the city of Dallas. She has been instrumental in formulating changes in the law for the city's legislative package which is designed to protect battered spouses from repeat offenders.

The task force has also worked to focus the attention of the municipal, family, and criminal judiciary on domestic violence issues and reforms.

In 1991, Ms. Sampson was appointed to the East Texas State University board of regents by Gov. Ann Richards. Currently, she serves as the vice chairperson of the board.